

LAMAR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Public Hearing Minutes

January 17th, 2017

7:00 P.M.

Chairman Glass called the Public Hearing to order.

Dan Gunter explained Rezoning App #2016-02 by Brosis Enterprises, Inc. and stated that this is a request for a subdivision and as part of that subdivision request our code specifies that if a subdivision is made it should be zoned accordingly. The subdivision was heard by the Planning Commission. This is a subdivision of 11.5 acres into 4 lots on Harmony Hill Ranch Road. The property is located in the middle of farms. All of the neighbors along Harmony Hill Ranch Road came together and wrote a document to specify their opposition to this subdivision because it is not in keeping with community. The road has a lot of pot holes and has been torn up by logging trucks. The Planning Commissioner heard the request, App #2016-02 and denied the subdivision request. The request for re-zoning then becomes mute as it is properly zoned as A-R.

William Zullo of 343 Harmony Hill Ranch Road Homes addressed the board. Mr. Zullo said that his and the neighbors opposition to this re-zoning is that all of them, on Harmony Hill Ranch Road, own large pieces of property and it is a very rural area. It is not conducive to have a subdivision. This is the worse place to put one. We live in what is rural Lamar County. The road in question, as far as the shape of the road, has a hard hairpin curve and that curve is totally blind. When you come around that curve, it is a one lane road all the way downhill until it bottles off in the hollow. Then, it goes up the hill until where the Sheriff's hunting club starts and this borders 11 acres. This is a road issue with the contour of the land. My land is located in the rural part of the county. When it gets to bad and we take our tractors and clean it up. I have lived there for 17 years and this is the way it has been. Mr. Zullo stated that it is not a good place to put any kind of subdivision. We chose to buy the large parcels of land and put our homes out there because of the rural atmosphere. We are afraid that something like this, on an 11 acre track, will have a negative effect. If we had the county come out there on that road, you would be out there every month, especially if it rains. Mr. Zullo said that it is not so bad before you get to the hairpin blind curve but once you come around that curve it gets pretty hairy. Mr. Zullo said that it is the price they pay for living out there and something like this will drastically change our life. Mr. Zullo said that another issue is that they asked for is R-3 zoning and this R-3 zoning is for a 1200 square foot house and everyone around there has 2000 plus. This area is rural and all under conservation and out in the middle of nowhere and it is my request that you deny this zoning. Let us continue to live our boondocks life out there.

Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Horton made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing and Commissioner Thrash seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The board adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:10 p.m.

THE LAMAR COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Charles Glass, Chairman

Bennie Horton, Vice-Chairman

Robert Heiney, Commissioner

Ryran Traylor, Commissioner

Nancy Thrash, Commissioner

Attest: _____ Carlette Davidson, County Clerk